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HAEMOSTATIC INSERTION AND RECOVERY  
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**LETTER RE PRIORITY**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby claim priority of ITALIAN Patent Application No. FI2003 A 000310, filed  
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